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**U.S. District Court**  
**District of Columbia (Washington, DC)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:17-cv-01671-CRC**

WESTERN VALUES PROJECT v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Christopher R. Cooper

Demand: \$0

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/17/2017

Date Terminated: 04/04/2019

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/17/2017	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5078456) filed by WESTERN VALUES PROJECT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> LRCv7.1, # <u>3</u> Summons)(Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 08/17/2017)
08/17/2017		Case Assigned to Judge Christopher R. Cooper. (sth) (Entered: 08/17/2017)
08/17/2017	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3)Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons)(sth) (Entered: 08/17/2017)
08/17/2017	<u>3</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by WESTERN VALUES PROJECT (sth) (Entered: 08/17/2017)
09/14/2017	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 8/22/2017. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 9/21/2017. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 09/14/2017)
09/14/2017	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 08/22/2017. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 09/14/2017)
09/14/2017	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 8/28/2017 (Hodes, Scott) Modified on

		9/14/2017 to correct filing date (zrdj). (Entered: 09/14/2017)
09/21/2017	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Marsha Wellknown Yee on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 09/21/2017)
09/21/2017	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 09/21/2017)
10/04/2017		MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall promptly confer and file a joint proposed schedule for briefing or disclosure by October 19, 2017. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/4/2017. (lccrc1) (Entered: 10/04/2017)
10/04/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 10/19/2017 (lsj) (Entered: 10/04/2017)
10/19/2017	<u>9</u>	PROPOSED BRIEFING SCHEDULE by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 10/19/2017)
10/20/2017		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the parties' <u>9</u> Joint Proposed Schedule, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties file a joint briefing schedule, if one is necessary, on or before November 29, 2017. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 10/20/2017. (lccrc1) (Entered: 10/20/2017)
10/20/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 11/29/2017 (lsj) (Entered: 10/20/2017)
11/29/2017	<u>10</u>	PROPOSED BRIEFING SCHEDULE ( <i>Joint</i> ) by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 11/29/2017)
12/01/2017		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule, it is hereby ORDERED that Defendant's motion for summary judgment shall be filed by February 8, 2018; Plaintiff's combined opposition and any cross-motion for summary judgment shall be filed by March 20, 2018; Defendant's combined reply and opposition shall be filed by April 30, 2018; and Plaintiff's reply in support of any cross-motion shall be filed by June 8, 2018. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 12/1/2017. (lccrc1) (Entered: 12/01/2017)
12/04/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Summary Judgment motions due by 2/8/2018. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 3/20/2018. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 4/30/2018. Plaintiff's Replies due by 6/8/2018. (lsj) (Entered: 12/04/2017)
02/08/2018	<u>11</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>2</u> Declaration Paul P. Colborn, # <u>3</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 02/08/2018)
03/20/2018	<u>12</u>	Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment by WESTERN VALUES PROJECT (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>2</u> Memorandum in Support, # <u>3</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 03/20/2018)
03/20/2018	<u>13</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>11</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by WESTERN VALUES PROJECT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum in Support, # <u>2</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>3</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 03/20/2018)
04/30/2018	<u>14</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>11</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Colborn Declaration II, # <u>2</u> Def.'s Resps. to Pl.'s Additional Material Facts, # <u>3</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 04/30/2018)
04/30/2018	<u>15</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>12</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Colborn Declaration II, # <u>2</u> Def.'s Resps. to Pl.'s Additional Material Facts, # <u>3</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 04/30/2018)
06/08/2018	<u>16</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>12</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by WESTERN VALUES PROJECT. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 06/08/2018)

07/18/2018	<u>17</u>	ORDER granting in part and denying in part <u>11</u> Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment; granting in part and denying in part <u>12</u> Plaintiff's Cross Motion for Summary Judgment. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 7/18/2018. (lccrc1) (Entered: 07/18/2018)
07/18/2018	<u>18</u>	MEMORANDUM OPINION re <u>17</u> Order. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 7/18/2018. (lccrc1) (Entered: 07/18/2018)
07/23/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant's acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of responsive records to Plaintiff's request due by 8/1/2018 (lsj) (Entered: 07/23/2018)
08/01/2018	<u>19</u>	NOTICE ( <i>Defendant's Acknowledgment</i> ) by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 08/01/2018)
08/07/2018	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 08/07/2018)
11/20/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Almost three months having passed since Defendant anticipated producing its Vaughn index, the parties are requested to file a joint status report advising the Court on the need for further proceedings in this case. If further proceedings are necessary, the parties shall propose a schedule for production and/or summary judgment briefing. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/20/2018. (lccrc1) (Entered: 11/20/2018)
11/26/2018	<u>21</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 11/26/2018)
02/28/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The parties are directed to file by March 7, 2019 a joint status report advising the Court on the Office of Legal Counsel's document review and production, and the need for further proceedings in this case. If further proceedings are necessary, the parties shall propose a schedule for production and/or summary judgment briefing. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 2/28/2019. (lccrc1) (Entered: 02/28/2019)
03/01/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/7/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/07/2019	<u>22</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 03/07/2019)
03/11/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>22</u> joint status report, the parties are instructed to file a further joint status report on or before April 4, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 3/11/2019. (lccrc1) (Entered: 03/11/2019)
03/11/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/4/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 03/11/2019)
04/03/2019	<u>23</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Yee, Marsha) (Entered: 04/03/2019)